

REMARKS

Claims 21 and 23 through 37 remain pending in the present case.

102 REJECTIONS

In the above referenced Office Action, Claims 1-7, 9, and 11-20 are rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Dodd et al. (U.S. Patent 6,530,006). Applicant has cancelled Claims 1-7, 9, and 11-20 and Applicant respectfully asserts the rejections are moot.

103 Rejections

The present Office Action indicates Claims 8 and 10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) as being unpatentable over the Dodd et al. reference. Applicant has cancelled Claims 8 and 10 and Applicant respectfully asserts the rejections are moot.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The present Office Action indicates Claims 21 and 22 are allowed. Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating allowed subject matter. Applicant has added Claims 23 through 29 as dependent Claims depending from Claim 21 and respectfully asserts that Claims 23 through 29 are allowable as depending from an allowed independent claim. In order to permit properly ordered dependent claims and avoid confusion, Applicant cancelled allowed Claim 22 and presented it again as Claim 30 and therefore

Applicant respectfully asserts Claim 30 is allowable. Applicant has added Claims 31 through 37 as dependent Claims depending from Claim 30 and respectfully asserts that Claims 31 through 37 are allowable as depending from an allowed independent claim.

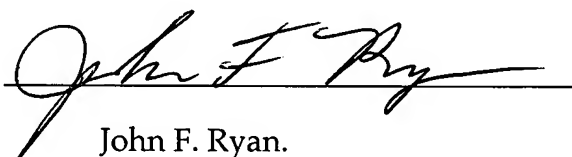
CONCLUSION

In light of the above remarks, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the remaining Claims. The Examiner is urged to contact Applicant's undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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